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To Whom it may concern,

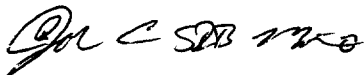
I am writing in regards to the issue of labeling irradiated food products. As a consumer, professor and concerned citizen I strongly urge you to require that all irradiated food products are clearly, prominently and accurately labeled. I believe all people have the right to know what happens to their food before they consume it so each person has the choice about what is fed to their families and to themselves. As far as I have researched, the long term health effects of irradiation are not known, therefore, give the consumer honest information and let him or her decide for themselves.

My request includes products that contain even one ingredient that has been irradiated. Words like "cold pasteurization", "electronic pasteurization" and the "radura" logo are misleading to or not understood by the majority of consumers.

These labeling requirements must not expire in the future but as long as the irradiation treatment of food continues.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Sincerely,

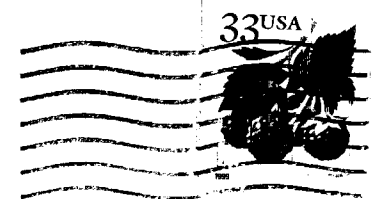


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